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### RICHARD HUGO WINS WASHINGTON GOVERNOR'S AWARD

MISSOULA--

Richard Hugo, director of the creative writing program at the University of Montana, received one of the 15 awards in the 16th annual Governor's Writers' Day Competition sponsored by the Washington State Library. The awards are given annually for books selected by the Writers' Day jury as the best works by Washington authors published during the year.

Hugo won the award for "The Right Madness on Skye," a collection of poems published by W.W. Norton & Co., New York.

Gov. John Spellman's citation reads in part:

"Mr. Hugo is one of our most consistent award winners, having won four previous awards, including one last year. Our jury's enthusiasm is matched by most of the poetry critics in the country. He has been the recipient of a number of prestigious awards. We are pleased that he was born in Seattle so that he can be claimed forever as a Washington author...."

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